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AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed <u>January 30, 2008</u>, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicants hereby petition under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a one month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this paper.

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